# **EXPERIMENT**

Artificially Feeding in the Beds to Increase Their Size and Quality is a Success.

#### CAN BE DONE ON LARGE SCALE

Would Rejuvenate the Industry and Restore the Depleted Beds to the Advantage of All.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 16.—Oystern and packers hereabouts are greatly interested in the experiments that are being made by the national government at Lynnhaven Bay, the far-famed home of the most delicious, as well as the most profitable, of the Chesapeake Bay oys.

The Fish Commission some time ago had its attention directed to the problem of preserving the beds of the Chesapeake

of preserving the beds of the Chesapeake and its tributaries, and the result of its deliberations on the subject took the form of extensive experiments, conducted under the supervision of one of the experts of the department.

It was decided that the oysters should be fee artificially in order to increase their size, nutritive value and furthermore to preserve the beds. The baby oysters, it was found, frequently remained culls all their lives for lack of proper nourishment.

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The farm of Colonel Blackford, two miles from Lynnhaven station, on the Norfolk and Southern Rallway, was selected as the scene of the experiments. For several months past these have been in progress and the result is that the department officials are thoroughly satisfied.

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The only item to be ascertained now is the cost. If this can he put on an economical basis, there is nothing to prevent the adoption of this plan of artificially feeding the oysters all along the shores of the Chesapeake.

The result of such a system would be that the oysters would be more marketable, the dopleted beds would be rejenished and the packers, tongers and planters would all profit. It will be practically a rejuvenation of the oyster industry, which, as is well known, is now seriously threatened by the depletion of the beds.

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SIMPLE PLAN.

The plan under which the experiments have been made at Lynnhaven, is very simple. The oyster lives on the vegetable matter found in the salt arms of the Chesapeake. It also requires lime and phosphates for its shell. These ingredients are simply mixed up in the proper proportion ashore and pumped out to the beds, where the oysters get the full benefit of them.

Commissioner Everman, of the Fish Commissione Everman, of the Fish Commission, has been here for several days looking into this important and interesting series of experiments, and he is of the opinion that the success that has been attained, means new life for the oyster industry, not only at Lynnhaven, but wherever the luscious bivaive is to be found.

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SILK-MILL-STRIKE:

A strike of 125 of the 150 employes of the Norfolk Silk Mills, followed a requestion of wages to-day. Eighty of the atrikers are women. The strikers say the cut amounts to 1-2 cent a yard and that they were not notified of the reduction until it was made. The women strikers, who say a hearing was refused them, will form a union.

MISS HELEN GOULD.

Miss Helen Gould arrived here this morning from Old Point Comfort, where the yesterday dedicated the Y. M. C. A. building she has donated to Fort Monroe. She was greeted at the pler at Sewell's Point, to-day by the rousing cheers of 200 sailors from the torpedo flotilla. Eiche took a snap-shot of the boys and promised to send them copies of the picture. Miss Gould and pariy are guestat the Monticello Hotel. They visited St. Paul's Church and the navy-yard to-day. This afternoon a reception was tendered Miss Gould at the home of Mrs. Barton Myers, who is at the head of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Naval Y. M. C. A.

To-night, a large mass-meeting in the interest of this institution was held at Epworth Methodist Church, Judge Tazewell Taylor presiding. Admiral Harrington delivered an address.

#### BEN BUTLER LANDS.

#### Land Grabbers Refused a Deed

by Buchanan County

by Buchanan County Court.

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)

TAZEWBLL, VA., Dec. 10.—Hon. J. H.

Stuart, of the County Court of Tazewell county, designated to sit in the recent term of the County Court of Buchanan county, has just returned, having
adjourned court. Judge Stuart overruled
the motion of C. W. Teabault and others
for tax deed covering about 200,000 acres
of valuable coal and timber land lying in
Buchanan, known as "The Pearson Survey," This land, which now belongs to
the heirs of the late G-oneral Benjamin F.
Butler, of Massachusetts, has been returned delinquent for taxes for a great
many years, and the amount due is now
over \$60,000.

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The applicants some time since filed an application under what is known as the "land grabbers" act." to purchase same, but Judge Beavers, of the County Court of Bushnan, boling an interested Court of Buchanan, being an interes party in the case, could not sit in the case, and hence another judge was design party in the case, could not sit in the case, and hence another judge was designated by the Governor of Virginia. Judge Stuart overruled the motion on the ground that the applicants had not fully compiled with the statutes. The applicants have applied to the judge of the Circuit Court of Buchanan county for Frit of mandamus to compel the clerk of the Circuit Court of Buchanan county to make tax deed. It is generally believed, although the lower courts have refused a tax deed, that Mr. Teabault will finally win the case, on the ground that they have compiled with the law. Mr. W. H. Leonard, of Boston, and Hon J. L. Jeffries, of Norfolk, were for the applicants, and attorneys W. E. Burns, of Lebanon; A. P. Gillespie and A. S. Higginbothem, of Tazewell, against applicants.

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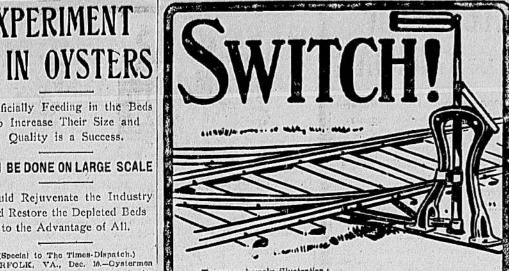
A. S. Higginbotham, or Tazewell, against applicants.

A land case of lesser importance was feedded in the Circuit Court of Tazewell this week, Judge Jackson sitting. It was the case of Beavers against Cummins, which involved only a few hundred acres of coal land lying in the northwestern part of this county. The judge decidede in favor of Beavers. The case grew out of a paroled extension of an option.

Hiram Riddle was sentenced to one year in the Buchanan County Court for killing a man on Knox Creek several months ago.

Municipal Investigation. (Special to The Times Dispate).)."

HRISTOL VA. Dec. 10.—According to resolution offered in the City Council of Bristol Va. or Tuesday night, and unanimously passed by that body, a committee of nine business men from the



To use a homely illustration:
When you find yourself in the wrong and the right is pointed out to you, to be honest with yourself, what should you do? SWITCH!
If you are using lard for frying and shortening, and we prove to you that Cottolene is purer, more healthful, more economical, what should you do? SWITCH!

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Two 'Phones in a Stone's Throw

Must Get Connection a Long

Ways Off.

IN TOUCH WITH THE WORLD

Chesterfield Courthouse at Last

Gets Good Telephone Ser-

vice-County Court.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHESTERFIELD, VA., Dec. 10 .- The Petersburg Telephone Company, which

for some time has had its telephone wires

strung from this place to the Manches-

ter and Petersburg turnpike, by way of Centralia, to-day finished putting in two

telephone boxes here, thereby putting this village in connection with Richmond

from the railroad and telegraph stations, and the old telephone line which passed

COUNTY COURT.

Judge L. P. Pool, who on last Saturday qualified as judge of the County Court of this county before Judge Clop-

is expected here to morrow to turns the list for the venire to try the cases of Mr. Walter Vaden, Berkeley White and Henry Lee, all charged with felony, which will come up during the term be-vinning next Monday. The Vaden case has been set to begin on Wodnesday, the 10th, and the cases of the two others, who are colored men.

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(Special to Tae Times-Dispatch.)

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, Dec. 10 .-

John L. de Saulles, a former coach of the Virginia foot-ball toam, is arranging

Broke Off in His Head.

'Phones in Greene. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) STALARDSVILLE, VA., Dec. 10.—The

of the Manchester Hustings Court is expected here to-morrow to furnish the

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VIRGINIA TO PLAY

towns of the State.

two firstors is to be appointed to investigate the alleged irregularities of the council of Bristol, Va., as brought wit in a report recently submitted to the council by City Attorney J. S. Ashworth.

It is charged that the irregularities were inconnection with the disposing of bonds of the city, in which it is alleged certain individuals and institutions were perhaps unduly favored.

#### STEAMER WITHDRAWN

Prospects Bright for the Electric Line to Rappahannock.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Dec. 10.—
The withdrawal of the steamer Tourist of
the People's Line from the Rappahannock River was a great surprise to the
people here, and in the Rappahannock
Valley. This steamer has been a great
feeder to the trade of this city for the

Valley. This steamer has been a great feeder to the trade of this city for the past year from the section along the Rappahannock River, and it was expected that it was on the river permanent.

The steamer Caroline, of the Weems Line, is now, and has been for some time, running on the old schedule of the Tourist, and brings to the city each trip a large number of shoppers.

On its last arival it brought up over 200 passengers, all of whom made purchases of the merchants here. The trips of the boat are tri-weekly, requiring one day to go down to Urbanna, returning the following day.

The prospects seem now very bright for building the electric line from Washington, in Rappahannock county, to Culpeper, even if it is not extended to this section. Rappahannock and Culpeper have each vided a subscription of \$50,000, and private subscriptions in Rappahannock county have reached \$50,000, and \$25,000 has been raised from the same source in Culpeper county, making \$185,000 in hand county have reached \$35,000, and \$32,000 has been rais d from the same source in Culpeper county, making \$165,000 in hand towards the construction.

#### DIPHTHERIA SCARE.

#### Huntsmen Find Good Sport in Cumberland County.

(Special to The Limes-Dispatch.)

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CARTERSVILLE, VA., Dec. 10.—A mild case of diphtheria near the village has caused a good deal of fear on account of the younger generation of Cartersvillians, and interferred some with the school. As yet, no new cases of the dread disease have been reported.

Hunters continue to come from the cities in pursuit of game. Mr. W. R. England, of Washington, D. C., has returned to his home, after a three weeks yisit to relatives, having spent a good part of the time in his favorite sport, hunting turkeys.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Henrietta Hooper, of White Hall, Va., to Mr. Harry Culbreth, of Philadelphia, on Wednesday, the 18th of December. The ceremony will be performed in the White Hall M. E. Church. Miss Hooper is well known in this neighborhood, having many relatives and friends here.

Miss Annie May Rhods, who is teach-Miss Annie Stay Knoss, who have ing in Southampton, will return to her home in Cartersville, on next Saturday, the 12th, and will go to White Hall on the 16th to act as maid of honor for Aliss Hooper. She will spend the holidays at Cartersville.

#### TRAINING SQUADRON.

#### To Take Part in Louisiana Purchase Celebration.

Chase Celebration.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Dec. 10.—The flag ship Minneapolis of the training ship equadron. Rear-Admiral Wise in commanu, accompanied by the training ships Topeka and Yankee, sailed to-day for New Orleans, Lai., where they will participate in the ceremonics incident to the celebration of the lundredth anniversary of the Louislana Purchase.

The battleship Texas, flag ship of Rear-Admiral Sands' coast defense squadron, is still at Old Point. The cruiser Baittmore will on Saturday convey the torpedo bout flotilla to the Philippines.

Richmonders in New York. (Special to The Times-Dispaten.)
ORANGE, VA., Dec. 10,—Miss Fannie
S. Dolin and Mr. R. R. Mason were
carried the 6th at the Hotel Coleman, of
this place, Rev. J. M. Beadles, pastor
of Zion Baptist Church, officiating.

THE FAVORITE ROUTE TO BALTIMORE, THE NORTH AND EAST.
Leave Richmond, Southern Railway,
Fourteenth Street Station, 4:30 P. M.
daily, except Sunday, arriving Baltimore
8:30 P. M.; Fhiladelphia, 11:37 A. M.; New
York, 1:40 P. M. Fare to Baltimore one
way, \$2:50, round trip \$1: to Philadelphia
\$5:50, round trip \$1: to Philadelphia
\$5:50, round trip \$1: to New York one way
\$3:30, round trip \$1:
After December 28th, 1903, steamers via
this route will be run on a tri-weekly
schedule, comection leaving Richmond at
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C. W. WESTBURY, D. P. A. the valley system.

New Jersey Declines to Honor Governor Montague's Requisition for Colored Preacher.

#### COLPORTERS ARE APPOINTED

The Body of the late Wade Mc-Gee Exumed and the Cause of His Death Ascertained.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, VA., Dec. 10.—The police officer who went to New Jorsey after the Rev. James Fishburn, charged with swindling Petersburg negroes, returned this morning without his man. The authorities at Trenton refused for the present to honor the requisition from the Governor of Virginia, and Fishburn will be held there until Tuesday, when he will be given a hearing as far as New Jersey is concerned.

WILKERSON-MEREDITH.

E. N. Wilkerson and Mrs. Erma T. Meredith, a well known couple of Dinwiddle county, were married in Washington this week.

Rev. Father O'Farrell to-day had as his guests Rev. Father McVerry, of Richmond, and Rav. Father Lynch, of Roaroke.

Messrs. Charles and Ben Turner are sick at their home in Union Street At the Petersburg Young Men's Chirls-tion Association Sunday, "Wireless Tele-graphy will be discussed by S. L. Thomas, of Richmond. BIBLE BOARD.

The annual neeting of the State Baptist Sunday-school and Bible Board was held Tuesday night in the First Baptist Church of Fecersburg, with Dr. W. C. Taylor presiding. The appointments or the ensuing year was made, J. Sadler, from Cumberland and

as follows:

W. J. Sadler, from Cumberland and Buckingham counties, to Albemarle county, with increased salary.

Dr. Jenkins was appointed for Frank-lin county, and the following were reappointed: Rev. J. W. Horton, Carroll county, with increased salary; Rev. D. J. Harris, Scott county; W. P. Terry, Brunswick and Dinwiddle counties; Rev. Joseph Leonard, Washington county, with increased salary; Rev. O. L. Terry, Buchanan and Dickenson counties; J. W. Barker, Grayson county, with increased salary; J. B. Dulin, Prince William and Fauquier counties; Rev. R. M. Gfoson, Lecounty; Rev. J. H. Massie, Shenaudoah county; Rev. J. H. Massie, Shenaudoah Association, with increased salary; Miss Mary W. Apperson, Bible woman for Pocahontas, with, permission to labor during the winter in Newport News; Miss Mary Lou Williamson, Bible woman for Petersburg.

Petersburg, RESOLUTIONS. The following resolution, presented by the Rev. G. B. Taylor, was adopted:

1. "That the Bunday-school and Bible Board heartily endorses the appeal of the State Mission Board to the pastors and churches of Virginia that earnest prayer be made to God for a revival of religion throughput our borders."

throughout our borders.

2. "That as a means to this desired end Sunday-school conventions be held throughout the State, and that emphasis be put on cyangelizing in the Sunday-school."

BODY EXHUMED.

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The body of the late Wade H. McGee was yesterday disinterred in the presence of physicians representing the Travelers' Protective Association and the family of Mr. McGee. The autopsy held is said to have disclosed the fact that death resulted from an injury caused by Mr. McGee falling down a stairway in the passenger stution of the Atlantic Coast Line Rallway, at Richmond. and Petersburg and all the principal and Petersburg and all the principal towns of the State.

One box is located in the county clerk's office and the other in the store of Mr. E. W. Ellison, where the postoffice is kept. The two boxes are within a couple of hundred yards of each other, and the villagers were surprised to know that any communication by 'phone between the two must be done by way of the central office in Petersburg.

A message to Richmond must also pass through the Petersburg office.

TELEPHONE RATES.

The rates to be charged by the telephone company will be fifteen cents for a three-minutes' talk with either Richmond or Petersburg, and five cents for the same time for the stations between here and that turnpike; five cents for each additional minute will be added.

The rate to Chester will be ten cents when the line from the turnpike to that place shall have been completed. The phone will be a great convenience here, inasmuch as the courthouse is three miles from the railroad and telegraph stations, and the old telephone line which passed

#### MASS-MEETING.

Called by the Mayor of Farmville to Discuss Dispensary.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FARMVILLE, VA., Dec. 0.—At the request of a number of citizens, Mayor Blanton issued a circular to-day calling the district to assemble in the court-house to-morrow night to discuss the merits of the saloon versus dispensary.

in order that the people may be more fully informed on the guestion.

It is understood that Senator Wathins and Mr. Gravely, of Martinsville, carnest advocates of dispensaries, will earnest advocates of dispensaries, will be present, and a lively gathering is expected, as the question is the topic of conversation here now, and every voter has the town's unique whiskey situation at heart.

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The date for the holding of the election has not been set yet, but it will most likely take place on Tuesday, the 22d of this menth.

The salaon people have received a supply of literature they contemplate distributing, and in the local paper this week and last week strong articles advocating a dispensary appeared.

To decide between the dispensary and salaon is, in the judgment of many, going to be one of the bitterest and hardest fought battles on record in the town.

#### THE CULLEN TRIAL

#### The Prisoner Shows a Model of IN MADISON SQUARE His Ball-Bearing Guns.

His Ball-Bearing Guns.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

HARRISONBURG, VA., Dec. 10.—The trial of Captain Orlan Clyde Cullen, in the United States Court is progressing very rapidly. The evidence shows continual successful efforts to defraud, and the general opinion among the people who have heard the testimony so far is that Cullen will be convicted.

To-day in the court room, Cullen gave an exhibition of the workings of his ball bearing gun. Of course, the gun is rather minature, but it shows the result of the invention of an ingenious mind. the Virginia foot-ball team, is arranging for a contest at Madison Square Garden, New York, on Wednesday of next week, between the Virginia team and that representing Bucknell College, Pennsylvania. The occasion is a big indoor tournament, and the proposed foot-ball game is to be a side attraction. The final word is expected from Mr. De Saulles to-morrow, and if it is favorable the players will go into training at once for the contest.

minature, but it snows the result in the invention of an ingenious mind. Mossrs, Aulton & O'Flaherty, of Front Royal, are conducting the defense, and are making a favorable impression on those who hear their legal points.

District Attorney Moore, assisted by Mr. Blair, consucted the prosecution.

### PAYING UP.

Groke Off in fills fleads.

(Spacell to The Times Distalch.)

(GliADESBORO, VA., Dec. 10.—On Saturday night December 5th, near Uttpestoffice in this (Carroll) county, an alteration took place at a drunken frolic octween Frank Gwynn and Jesse Ayres, myhich Gwynn sabbed Ayres in soveral places. The blade of his knife was troken off, in Ayres head, Dr. Eranscome attended him and thinks he may recover.

pening up of telephonic communication of ween Greene county and the railroad, which event long looked for and yearn-ed after, took place Friday last, marks an epoch in the advance of this secjail, awaiting the arrival of his first wife's people, when he will be given a proliminary hearing.

CHECK FLASHER.

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The Rockbridge County Board of Health.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, VA., Dec. 10.—A young check flasher is wanted here, who attempted to pass a raised check on a bank. Tuesday morning, a boy of fifteen arrived, registered at the Hotel Lexington. That night he entertained a crowd with "sporty" talk, and he seem. The Rockbridge County Board of Health.

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The Rockbridge County Board of lichth has been organized, with Mr. J. J. L. Kinnear, chairman of the Board of supervisors as presilent; County Cierk A. T. Shelds is secretary.

Dr. A. D. Estill, chairman of the Lexington Board of Health, was made health orficer. The other members of the board are Dr. Robert Glasgow, of Lexington, and Dr. H. R. Coleman, of Collerstown. The Board of Supervisors was requested to purchase several fumigators for use in the county.

#### ELOPEMENT.

Telegraph Operator at Doswell and Well-Known Young Lady.

and Well-Known Young Lady.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DOSWELL, VA., Dec. 10.—Mr. J.

Thomas Cussons and Miss Carric Holmes
left for Washington yesterday for the
purrices of getting married. They were
accompanied by several friends. Miss
Holmes is the popular daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. J. A. Holmes, of Hanover
county. Mr. Cussons is the night telegraph operator for the railroads at this
place, and also a native of this county.

Several new buildings are in course of
aroction, which are very desirable additions to the village.

The citizens express the hope that the
railroad companies will arrange to better
accommodate the traveling public and
shippers when the double track problem
for this station is finally adjusted.

#### Taylor-Whitman.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PULASKI VA., Dec. 10.—The Presbyterian Church was the place of an exceptionally pretty wedding last evening
at eight oclock, when Miss Nanci Conson
Whitman, of this place, became the bridg
of Mr. Frederick Southgate Taylor, of
Noriolk, The impressive ceremony of the
Episcopal Church was performed by the
Rector, Rev. W. A. Brown.

The church was artistically decorated
with overgreens and potted plants. The
oridal party was as follows: Best Man,
Mr. A. Brook Tayfor, of Norfolk, brother
of the groom; Matron of Honor, Mrs. C.
M. Galway, sister of the bride; Ushers
W. F. Irvine, James Hume, J. N. Young,
A. B. Carney. C. R. Day, Norfolk, Va.,
and Gus. Aston, Radford; Bridesmaits,
Missos Anna. Gleaves, Wytheville, Va.
Nora Richardson, Marlon, Va.; Margaret
venable, Marlon; Sarnh Bentley and Ellit Trilling Pulaski, Va.; Lucy Whitman,
Pulaski; Flower Girls, Elizabeth Jordan
and Virginia Haller, nleces of the bride,
Song, "Because I Love You Dear, by
Mrs. Ira C. VanDoren; Organist, Miss
Brown, of Wytheville; Violinist, Joseph
P. Campbenn Pulaski
The bride came in which her brother-inlaw, Mr. A. H. Jordan. The bride is a
charming young a fey who endeared her
self to the people of Mr. and Mrs. A. H.
Those from a distance present at the
wedding were Mrs. A. Brook Taylor, Mrs.
Kobert M. Wilkins, Mr. Tazewell Taylor
and Mr. Selden Taylor, of Norfolk.

McCarty—Dickinson.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Mr. Arthur Peyton McCarthy, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Miss Ellie Spottswood
Dickinson, daughter of Mis. William H.

Dickinson, of Caroline county, were married yesterday at Grace Episcopal Church,
in that county, at two o'clock P. M.

Rev. S. S. Ware officiating.

After a Southern tour, Mr. and Mrs.

McCarty will reside in Brooklyn.

Mason—Dolin.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Everott, Miss
Butler, Miss Sanderson, Mrs. A. C.
Bruce Sinclair, W. W. Johnson; Broadway Central, B. Bear;
Albemarle, Miss Bosher; Earlington, A. Anderson, Jr.; Herald Square, H.
R. Wayt; York, W. B. Nelson; Barthold,
G. T. Uhlman; Navarree, W. J. Kimbrough.

#### Bell-Floyd.

CASPECIAL The Times Dispatch.) CAPE CHARLES, VA. Dec. 10.—Mr. A. T. Bell and Miss Salle Floyd, of Mationville, were married this evening at Red Bank Church, Rev. C. L. Corbitt official:

The ceremony was witnessed by a large number of relatives and friends. Both

#### Brubaker-Long. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

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LURAY, VA., December 10.-Mr. William Brubak r., son of the late A. D.
Brubaker, of this county, and Miss Sadie
Long, daught r of Dr. John W. Long,
a prominent physician of this county,
were married at the home of the brides
father, four miles south of Luray, this
evening, Elder John R. Daly, of the Primitive Baptist Church, officiating.

#### Surprise Marriage.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WYTHEVILLE VA. Dec. 10.—Miss
Willie Geogre Simmerman, daughter of
Mrs. Rhoda J. Simmerman, and a prominent young lady of Wytheville, and Mr.
Charles H. Hilt, of Dettoit, Mich., were
married at seven o'clock this evening by
the Rev. Merrer P. Logan, D. D.

The affair was kept secret and o. Sy a
few friends were present on the occasion.
The bride is a niece of Hon. Stephen B.
Simmerman, Wythe county's representative in the House of Delegates, and is
attractive and popular.

### John Paul Jones' Home.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PHEDERICKSBURG, VA., Dec. 19.—
An entertainment was given Wednesday
night under the auspices of the Daughters
or the Revolution, at "Kenmore," the hisjoric residence of Mrs. W. Key Howard,
tormerly the home of Betty Washington, dur,
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the wild be a well prepared paper was
only red on John Paul Jones by Coptain,
S. J. Quinn, of this city. The paper way
romarkable for its historical accuracy,
and demonstrated the fact that the tirst
had only home of the great admiral of
the navy was in America and here in the
city of Findericksburg.

### IT IS FOR LADIES, TOO.

Married a Young Girl When He

Had a Wife in Tennessee.

WYTHEVILLE, VA. Dec. 10.—Up to Monday only about 150 citizens had paid their capitation tax, and entitled themselves to vote in the town election in Wytheville next June. However, this week there has been a steady stream of citizens to the treasurer's office, and many men have qualified themselves to cost their ballots in that election.

Some time ago William S. Moore came to Wytheville from Tennessee and soon afterwards married a young girl of this place. It now transpires that he has a wife and several children in Tennessee.

He now reposes in the Wythe county

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## HIS MIND IS STILL BLANK

Young Farrar Cannot Recollect | Who Does Not Want Anything Previous to His Injury.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Dec. 10. oseph Farrar, the negro who was arrested two weeks ago on the charge of assaulting Charles Pierce, was discharged in the Police Court this morning,

Pierce, who was found at the ship yard in an unconscious condition, with an ugly wound on his head, severa ago, is rapidly improving physically now, and would be able to appear in court shortly if his mind was not affected. The young man's mind is blank, and he does not even remember that he ever worked at the yard,

The police are inclined to believe that Pierco was accidentally hurt in some Pierco was accidentally nurr in some way, but the friends of the injured man declare that he was a victim of foul play, and that the wound on his head could not have been received accidentally.

Joe Earrar, the negro, was arrested because it was reported at the yard that he was seen shoving Pierce through a manhole on a ship at the yard on the day Pierce was found wounded. The negre declares that he does not know the young man and the police have not been able to disprove his statement.

Watkins Stevenson, an old negre man, who was run over and histored by a horse and wagon belonging to Max Levison last February, was given judgment for \$0.00 in the Corporation Court yesterday. The negre saed for \$3.000.

Treasurer Curits is still kept busy receiving poil taxes. He will sit until so clock Saturday night before closing his books. It looks now as though the vote of the city will be cut down to about 1.000.

In the municipal elections in the past way, but the friends of the injured man

1.000.

In the municipal elections in the past the vote used to be about 3,500. There are now nearly 3,000 registered votes but they are paying their poll taxes

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slowly.

Naval Inspection Board Watch Result of First Stage of Trip.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.).

NORFOLK, VA., December 10.—Orders were to-day received at the commandigant's office alrecting the commandigant's office alrecting the commandigation of the Baltimere, now in the Roads, to convoy the first torpedo flortilla, now ready to sail for Maniia, as far as Key West, where their regular convoy, the Buffalo, will join them to Board, headed by Captain C. J. Train, to composed of the most experienced officers will take the Naval inspection Board, headed by Captain C. J. Train, to compose of the most experienced officers in the navy, should determine, however, that the trip is too hazardous the little desiroyers stand the trip down to the Philippines under the wing of the trip is too hazardous the little desiroyers and the little desiroyers and the little desiroyers and the little desiroyers and the little possibility of the little desiroyers and the little l

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